



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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August 29, 1995

HAND DELIVERED

Steven Cohen
Lawrence Cohen
Chicago International Exporting
Chicago International Chicago, Inc.
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EPA Region 5 Records Ctr.



247035

RE: Standard Scrap Metal/Chicago International Exporting
Site, Chicago, Illinois

Dear Messrs. Cohen:

As the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) recently indicated to your counsel, Mr. Joseph Nassif, during a telephone conversation on August 28, 1995, U.S. EPA has reason to believe that the on-going operations at the above referenced Site are currently causing the release or threat of release of hazardous substances not only from the metal shredding/separating operation, but also from the "motors-in-motors-out" portion of the operations. U.S. EPA has recently confirmed sample results which indicate that dirt, dust and debris from loads of electric motors, which are whole and unshredded, are contaminated with up to 190 ppm PCBs and 5800 ppm total lead. These samples were taken from grid location E-13 which includes the new concrete pad constructed in March of 1995 following EPA's removal of contaminated soil and debris from that area. See Attached sampling results.

Therefore, U.S. EPA requires that the Respondents to the Unilateral Administrative Order Docket No. 95-C-283 ("UAO") amend the approved Air and Materials Sampling Plan and Operating and Contingency Plan to include sampling and managing the "motors-in-motors-out" portion of the on-going operations at the Site. U.S. EPA recommends that Respondents request a meeting with U.S. EPA and Respondents' consultant, International Engineers, Inc. to discuss the appropriate scope of an amended Air and Materials Sampling Plan and Operating and Contingency Plan.

Please notify the undersigned by no later than September 5, 1995 of a convenient time for such a meeting to take place the week of September 11-15, 1995.

As a reminder, the UAO requires the Respondents to cease any operations at the Site which releases or causes a threat of release of any hazardous substance into the air or onto the surface of the Site unless and until Respondents install and implement dust emission control equipment sufficient to ensure that there will be no such release, or threat of release of hazardous substances. This requirement applies to the "motors-in-motors-out" operations, as well as the metal shredding and separating processes at the Site.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (312) 353-9351.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steven J. Farfan', written in a cursive style.

Steven J. Farfan
On-Scene Coordinator
United States Environmental Protection Agency

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IEA

An Aquatone Company

Client: Radel Environmental
 IEA Job#: CH051062
 Project #: 8157

RCRA/TCL
 PCB's
 mg/kg (dry weight)

Matrix: Soil
 Method: 8080

Dilution Factor (DF)	10	40	1	4	10	Lower Limits of Detection (LLD) with no Dilution
Method Blank	PS0807	PS0807	PS0807	PS0807	PS0807	
Client ID	MYE 13 - Pad	MYE 13 - Pad	MYG 14 - Confirm	MYH 18 - Surface	MYH 18 - Surface	
Lab ID	051062 001 D	051062 001 D1	051062 002	051062 003 D	051062 003 D1	
Compound						
Aroclor - 1018	UD	UD	U	UD	UD	0.8
Aroclor - 1221	UD	UD	U	UD	UD	0.8
Aroclor - 1232	UD	UD	U	UD	UD	0.8
Aroclor - 1242	130E	180	U	48E	58	0.8
Aroclor - 1248	UD	UD	0.5	UD	UD	0.8
Aroclor - 1254	29	UD	2.9	12	UD	1.6
Aroclor - 1260	UD	UD	2.4	UD	UD	1.8
Total Aroclors	150E	180	11.8	60E	66	7.2
Date Extracted	08/07/95	08/07/95	08/07/95	08/07/95	08/07/95	
Date Analyzed	08/08/95	08/08/95	08/08/95	08/08/95	08/08/95	

* MDL (Minimum Detection Limit) = LLD x DF





IEA

An Aquaterra Company

Client: Riedel Environmental
 IEA Job#: CH051062
 Project #: 8187

RCRA/TCL
 PCB's
 mg/kg (dry weight)

Matrix: Soil
 Method: 8060

Dilution Factor (DF)	1						Lower Limits of Detection (LLD) with no Dilution
Method Blank	PS0897						
Client ID	Blank						
Compound	Lab ID	PS0897					
Aroclor - 1016	U						0.8
Aroclor - 1221	U						0.8
Aroclor - 1232	U						0.8
Aroclor - 1242	U						0.8
Aroclor - 1248	U						0.8
Aroclor - 1254	U						1.6
Aroclor - 1260	U						1.6
Total Aroclors	U						7.2
Date Extracted	08/07/95						
Date Analyzed	08/09/95						

* MDL (Minimum Detection Limit) = LLD x DF





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CLIENT: RIVIERE ENVIRONMENTAL
 CLIENT PROJECT: 8157
 CLIENT P.O. #:
 IEA PROJECT: 040901062
 MATERIAL:

RESULTS

TEST	CLIENT ID	ANALYTE	RESULT	REL	UNITS	DATE	DATE	ANALYZED	METHOD
						FASTER	DIGESTED		
1068801	NY813-PAD								
		Cadmium	19	8.4	mg/kg	1	06/08/95	06/08/95	6010
		Lead	5888	4	mg/kg	1	06/08/95	06/08/95	6010
		Date Sampled: 06/07/95	95 Percent Solid						
068802	NY814-CONFIRM								
		Cadmium	44	8.33	mg/kg	1	06/08/95	06/08/95	6010
		Lead	4700	9.3	mg/kg	1	06/08/95	06/08/95	6010
		Date Sampled: 06/07/95	85 Percent Solid						
068803	NY815-SURFACE								
		Cadmium	28	8.33	mg/kg	1	06/08/95	06/08/95	6010
		Lead	3800	9.3	mg/kg	1	06/08/95	06/08/95	6010
		Date Sampled: 06/07/95	85 Percent Solid						





RIEDEL ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC.
 ERCS REGION V
 QA/QC DATA REVIEW

TO:	STEVE FARVAN, EPA OSC
FROM:	TODD RITSEMA, T&D CORP, SMITH ENV.
THRU:	DAN WILSON, QA MGR, SMITH ENV.
PROJECT:	STANDARD SLAB
JOB NO.	8150
REFERENCE:	MY813-PAD, MY814-Confirm, MY815-Surface
METHODS:	66-8080, METALS 6010

Per Chain of Custody: Total lead and Cadmium 6010/7000; PCB's 8080/10

The following two tier review is based on information outlined in OSWER Directive 9380.4-01 (April 1990), Data Validation Procedures. The document is intended for guidance in assessing and substantiating data for various users.

I. METALLIC INORGANIC PARAMETERS

A. Holding Times:
 Sampled: 6/7/95; Received by lab 6/7/95
 Date Analyzed: 6/13/95
 Acceptable
 No Action
 Action

B. Initial and Continuing Calibration:
 ICA/CCB < 0.0050 mg/l For Cd
 ICA/CCB < 0.0500 mg/l For Pb
 ICA/CCB % Recovery 101-104% For Cd
 ICA/CCB % Recovery 103-104% For Pb
 Acceptable
 No Action
 Action

C. Method Blank MS/MSD/Surrogates:
 Cadmium % RPD For Sample Dup = 41.00%, MS/MSD = 1.94, Serial Dilution Result ICA = 0.00001
 Lead % RPD For Sample Dup = 0.74%, MS/MSD = 17.00; Serial Dilution Result ICA = 15.02/52
 Acceptable
 No Action
 Action

D. ICS Sample Provided:
 ICS Interference Check Sample (ICS) provided
 YES
 NO

E. Method Blank:
 Prep Blank = 0.005; ICS = 0.0447, Lead = 0.0001
 LCS = 0.050; LCS = 0.49746, Known 0.500
 % Rec 97.7 Cadmium
 91.6 Lead
 Acceptable
 No Action
 Action

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II. GC/MS ANALYSIS: SNAs SVOCs VOCs PESTICIDES (PCBs (circle one))

A. Holding Times:

Collected 6-7-95, extracted 6-7-95
and analyzed 6-7-95, 6-8-95, 6-9-95

Acceptable

No Action

Action

B. Instrument Performance:

Standard chromatograms show
adequate peak resolution.

Acceptable

No Action

Action

C. Initial and Continuing Calibration:

Initial cal. was done on 4-20-95
using all target analytes at five diff.
concentrations that $\pm 15\%$ as required
between initial and cont. cal. CCL provided

Acceptable

No Action

Action

D. Method Blanks:

No Contaminants were found in
the blanks (recovery 100%)

Acceptable

No Action

Action

E. MS/MSD/Surrogates:

MS/MSD could not be calculated due
to high concentrations of the 1254.
A total of 100 surrogates were
added to the sample, acceptable recovery.

Acceptable

No Action

Action

F. Compound Identification:

Positive results were identified using
correct retention times, peak height
ratios and fingerprint patterns.
Second column confirmation verification

Acceptable

No Action

Action

G. Compound Quantitation and Detection Limits:

Compound Quantitation and detection
limits have been corrected by adjusted
to reflect changes due to interferences
due to weight factor and dilution.

Acceptable

No Action

Action

III. INORGANIC PARAMETERS (ie. pH, TOC, etc.)

N/A.

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IV. OVERALL ASSESSMENT OF THE DATA

BASED UPON THE INFORMATION PROVIDED, THE DATA IS CONSIDERED ACCEPTABLE. NOT
ACCEPTABLE FOR USE AS REPORTED.

COMMENTS:

① ms/msc not calculated due to high
AR 1254 concentration.

John J. Fithian
Author
1st Coord.

Title

7-17-95

Date

Dan J. Wilson
Reviewer

QA Manager
Title

Title

8-18-95

Date